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CHICKAMAUGA CHAT

Stray Notes Interesting to Friends and Relatives of the "Squire" Boys.

The Lewiston Journal of Thursday printed a rather indefinite cut, purporting to be one of the First Maine Regiment tents and showing Lieut. Tibbetts, Dr. Wheeler and Capt. Bird seated before it. The following explanation appeared under the picture:

"Lieut. Tibbetts, Dr. Wheeler, acting assistant surgeon, and Capt. John Bird enjoying an after-mess smoke in front of the Rockland lieutenants' quarters. The doctor's lugubrious countenance is accounted for by the fact that he has just been reading about the cool weather and the shirt waists in Rockland. Tibbetts is thinking of—well, never mind who. The cap'n smiles because—because—because, well, because he usually looks cheerful."

The new camp is already an old one so far as looks go. The lessons learned in the former camp were remembered in the new. No time was lost in trenching the tents and ditching the streets. The first rain found the boys ready for it. Gravel was carted in and distributed down the line, rocks were piled up and used to fill the hollows, undergrowth was cut away and Monday night found a camp which bore no resemblance to the place which Maj. Ulmer staked out Friday. Twelve hundred men will smooth up a place in wonderfully short time and not work very hard either.

The line of staff tents has a charming location, just in the edge of a grove with an open slope of grassy ground reaching down to the tents of the field, line and ranks. The stretch between allows ample room for mounting guard and makes it possible to "march the guard in review"—a movement which was never attempted but once on the old camping ground. The boys like the new locality, though the damp weather of Saturday and Sunday made it a bit wet and lonesome for a starter. There was a rail fence in the vicinity of Maj. Ulmer's tent when we pitched camp. There was a regular old-fashioned, Grand Army camp-fire in Co. I's street Sunday night. There isn't any rail fence near the major's now. (But, mind you, this isn't saying there's a chance for any Sherlock Holmes deductions—the major says there are times when it isn't worth while putting the first and two together.)

The first army corps is now moving for points of mobilization on the coast, and in a couple of weeks 27,000 men will be sent away. Maj. Gen. Brooke and staff has already departed and Gen. Wade is now in command. The third corps feels badly over the situation, which leaves them for a couple of months more in camp while their comrades of the first are at the front. Col. Kendall expects to be at least six weeks in camp, and then the movement will be "On to Havana."

A drawback for the new camp is a rude hovel inhabited by a family of "poor white trash," and in its present condition it is a decided menace to the health of the camp. Probably the place will either be condemned or the proprietors forced to clean up and go under strict sanitary rules. Just outside the limits of the park is a beautiful farm almost a plantation with a broad field reaching up to the boundary wall. An immense field of southern corn just in the milk bids fair to be a terrible temptation, and if some of it does not find its way into the camp it will be strange. Guards now watch from the dangerous side.

Why is it that one man is old and decrepit at 45, and another hale and hearty at 80? It depends on the care he takes of himself. Often a man's body gets out of repair—the trouble grows until it lays him out in bed. Whenever a man feels that he is not as he ought to be, whenever he is listless, without energy and without vitality, whenever he feels that he is losing weight and that his ordinary work gives him undue fatigue, he needs Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. If he keeps on working with his liver inactive and his blood impure—he keeps his nerves and his body under a constant nervous strain. He will not be hearty when he is old. "The Golden Medical Discovery" cures many so-called diseases because nearly all illness springs from the same thing—bad digestion and consequent impure blood. The "Discovery" makes the appetite good, the digestion strong, assimilation easy, and the blood rich and pure.

Ships reaching Portland from Labrador report many icebergs in the northern seas, one captain counted 105 monsters from the deck of his vessel recently.

The canning plant of the Twitchell-Champ-lin Co. at Waldoboro is in the height of the pea season. Peas have been coming in at the position of Waldoboro as a business center. Nearly three hundred and fifty individual planters have produced the crop this season and this business together with the packing of corn will put a large amount of money into circulation. The work at the factory is under the management of L. H. Walker of Portland and Charles W. Creamer of Winslow Mills. W. H. Levensaler is the outside agent—Lincoln County News.

The best quality of hay is now bringing an average price of \$5 down to \$4 per ton, and there appears to be an abundance of hay, left from last year, for this price. Many of the farmers, before harvesting a new crop of hay, were obliged to remove what was in their barns to give room for the present crop, and, accordingly, a very poor price was the result. The present hay crop has been harvested in excellent condition, and when placed upon the market will make it almost impossible to sell any of last year's crop. This will, of course, be due to its superiority, on account of its having matured early and been harvested without being wet. The wet weather was the great trouble during the harvesting of the hay crop last season, but this year the crop is above, in quality and quantity, that of several years past.

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IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Newspapers of General Interest and Gathered from Many Sources.

The Deer Isle Gazette has changed hands. D. J. Noyes is the new editor.

About \$8000 was paid out in bounties to the men at Camp Powers, Tuesday.

A few mackerel have lately been taken in the weirs at North Haven, but all kinds of fish are reported scarcer than usual at this season.

The governor's council has denied the petition for pardon submitted by Mrs. Cowan of Bangor who is serving a life sentence in Thomaston state prison.

The patriotism of Miss Alice M. Reed of Waldoboro will never be questioned. She has kept two beautiful flags flying in front of the house all summer and at times a third has been added says the Lincoln County News.

Capt. A. A. Daley of Vinalhaven was in Belfast last week in his sleep Bessie May with a cargo of corned and dry fish. He reports that mackerel had not put in an appearance at the Fox Islands except in very small numbers.

Rev. Henry M. Perkins of Woolwich, has accepted a call to the Congregational church in Union, and is now pastor of two churches, although his pulpit at Woolwich is filled by other ministers until the expiration of his term in September.

A lady was seen on a load of hay with a babe in her arms and one by her side making the load of hay one day last week. "That is the kind of farmers' wives we have in Waldoboro," writes the Waldoboro correspondent of the Damariscotta Herald.

Joseph W. Glidden, son of Lieut. Col. John M. Glidden of Newcastle, has been appointed second lieutenant by the President and assigned to the Fourth regiment of infantry of the regular army. Lieut. Glidden will sail for Porto Rico immediately to join his regiment, probably at Porto Rico.

From the West Stewartstown, N. H., Frontier Gazette we have received a handy pocket edition of the Game Laws of New Hampshire, compiled by the editor of the Frontier Gazette, Remly S. Sidelinger, a former Warren boy. Any of our readers interested in the game laws of that state can obtain a copy by addressing as above.

Mrs. Olive Castner of Waldoboro died July 19th, quite suddenly of heart trouble. She was the widow of the late Wm. A. Van-nah of Winslow's Mills Sunday. Dr. Starrett graduated at Bowdoin college last June with high honors and has received an appointment at the Maine General Hospital, Portland, for one year. Dr. Starrett is a young self-made man and we wish him success in his profession.

The city of Belfast has had made to order at the instance of the finance committee what is called a coupon book. It makes a complete record of the bonds issued by the city, with their coupons, and is good for thirty years, when the new issue is 4 per cent. This mature. This record will show just what coupons have been paid and what remain unpaid, and will be a guard against counterfeit coupons and an invaluable index to our outstanding indebtedness.

Charles J. M. Merrifield of the Atwood Hotel in Lewiston, a famous hunter and fisherman, and is a "dead shot," as the saying goes. Mr. Merrifield and City Marshal Wing were at the State Fair grounds the other afternoon, looking over the horses and the plans for new buildings, when the marshal saw a big crow perched on the top of a tree 100 feet away. "A good shot for a rifle," said the marshal. "Yes," said Mr. Merrifield, "let me take your revolver." The marshal laughed and handed it to him, and the latter took deliberate aim and fired. The crow did not move for fully thirty seconds and then fell dead. The ball had gone through his heart.—Lewiston Journal.

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HONOLULU TO VINALHAVEN

Yankee Soldier Boy Bound for Manila With the Home Folk.

Through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Vinal of Vinalhaven we are privileged to publish the following letters from their son, L. W. Vinal, the only Vinalhavite to serve Uncle Sam in the far-off Philippines:

ON BOARD STEAMER CITY OF PARIS, June 30, 1898.
My Dear Mother and Father:
I will try now to write as the sea is quite smooth.

We sailed from San Francisco Monday at 3 p. m. and you should have seen the crowd of people on the docks. The noise was deafening with whistles blowing, cannons booming and people yelling.

It was a perfect day.
We passed the Golden Gate at 4 o'clock and it was a pretty sight to look back on the Gates and city of San Francisco. At six o'clock we passed the Tarakan Island and at seven we were out of sight of land. There are three transports beside ours. We were the last to sail, but soon overtook the others and Tuesday afternoon the flagship signalled us to proceed to Honolulu as quickly as possible, each one taking their own course. At night we could see only one ship, the Ohio. The next morning we passed her and in the afternoon she was lost to sight. We are trying to get to Honolulu for the Fourth of July, and if we do will make that old island ring.

The first night out the wind blew a gale and the sea was very rough. I was not seasick at all, but most of the boys were and it was great fun for me to watch them trying to walk the deck; sometimes one would fall and slide the whole width of the deck knocking down every one that he met. It is fine today, the wind has gone down and the sea is quite smooth.

We have not passed or seen a vessel on the trip so far. Saturday, July 2: Today we are 700 miles from Honolulu and will probably get there next Monday.

We are now in the torrid zone and it is just a little warm. We are making about 300 miles a day, and nothing to be seen but water. Our food is the regular army rations, hard tack, coffee, salt pork, with occasionally soup and cold beef. We do no drilling; nothing to do but lie around, sleep, and eat what they give us, and think. We have hardly got started, as it will take about three weeks from Honolulu to the Philippines.

We have a band concert nearly every day, but that, I think, will get tiresome before we reach there. I think that I will know how to appreciate a good home and father and mother when I get back to them.

This is my first letter, and as I have a number more to write will close with love to all at home.

OFFICE OF HONOLULU, Y. M. C. A., July 7, 1898.
My dear Mother:
Here we are at Honolulu, at last. We arrived Tuesday morning, July 5, very early and received a hearty welcome. If we get a good reception in Manila as we have here we shall be all right.

The day of our arrival we were allowed to go ashore for all day until 9:30 in the evening, so we just went out and saw the sights. But it was so very hot that I didn't feel like stamping around much. First, I took in the fine buildings, went through the place where Queen Lili used to reign, also through the armory, which was very interesting.

This is the most beautiful place that I ever saw; the foliage is something wonderful. Just think of walking through groves of bananas, having a chance to eat all you want, then through cocoanut groves and helping yourself there, too. We have all the bananas, oranges, pineapples, and grapes that we want.

The people here are very kind hearted and good natured.
Yesterday the Governor of the island gave us a fine dinner on the palace grounds. Our regiment is complimented very highly wherever it goes; the papers this morning said that there was no doubt that the 13th Minnesota was the best drilled and most solidly looking regiment that had ever set foot on this island.

How is that for a send-off!
Yesterday afternoon my friend Force, the other bugler in our company, and myself climbed to the top of the "Punch Bowl" a volcano 500 feet high, and from the summit took several pictures. The sides of the volcano are covered with lava, making it very hard to climb; coming down I slipped and slid several feet, scratching my hands a little. Upon the top is a place called Diamond Head. It is a point of lava; in it are several caves and in the caves a number of skeletons.

From this point you can see way out to the ocean and nearly all over the island; and the coral reefs with the palm trees growing around them just like the pictures in the geography.

The beaches are wonderful; they run out gradually for a mile and one can walk out that distance without going over his head, and the water is like warm. Nearly every night there are as many as 500 of the boys from our ship in bathing on the beach. We are ordered to bath at least once each day, so you see we keep pretty clean. Wish that we were going to stay here for I would like nothing better than to live here.

The Americans in the natives are lazy and don't try to cultivate the ground or engage in business of any kind. Nearly every house has a large lawn with palm and cocoanut trees for shades, which makes a very beautiful sight as you walk along the street.

We don't know when we will sail for the Philippines, but probably the last of the week as we were due there the first of August.

All soldier's letters are mailed here free of charge. Will close now with love to all at home.

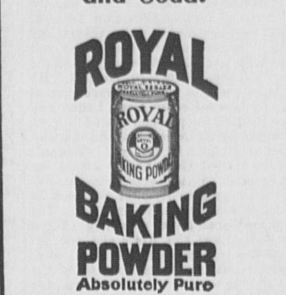
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ON THE U. S. S. BANCROFT

(Composed by Clarence P. Green and Merton Kn-
erton of Vinalhaven, seamen on the Bancroft.)

On the thirteenth day of April, the winter being gone,
I was in the city of Rockland, forsaken and for-
lorn;
My courage was fast falling me, my money getting low,
So I steered my steps to the custom house, in the navy lot to go.

The officers quickly called me in, they felt me o'er
and o'er,
They took my weight, and measured my height, as
they never had done before;
They told me I was an able man, and placed me on
the sea,
To help subdue the Spaniards, and the Cubans
to free.

One week from my enlistment, they placed me on
the train
With twenty-seven noble boys, all from the coast
of Maine;
They paid our fares to Boston, we marched out
through Charlestown,
Where they placed us on the Wabash, the ship
of great renown.

When we arrived on the Wabash, quite sober we
did feel,
As they marched us down in single file to get
our uniforms;
They served us out our hammocks where we stowed
ourselves away,
And slept our first night in the navy until the break
of day.

In the morning, bags they gave us and served us
out our suits,
And as we stood around the decks, I tell you we
were "beasts";
That afternoon came bad news, to us it seemed
quite hard;
One-half of the boys were drafted to the Brooklyn
navy yard.

In a day or two the rest of us to the Bancroft
straight were sent,
"Was then for joining the navy I surely did re-
pent."
For I was awful seasick, and as I lay and
grouched,
My comrades they did gather round singing "Home,
Sweet Home."

The twenty-second day of June I will remember
well,
And how the Spaniards fared that day not one of
us can tell.
Abreast old Morro Castle, and down along the
shore,
You could see the rocks and bridges fall as our can-
ons loomed in sight.

"Twas load and fire and draw your shells, load and
fire again,
While our ears they rang like church bells and our
heads around did spin;
With shells pulled off and belts tried up we quick-
ly blazed away,
And thus we did continue until the close of day.

While farther down the troops were being landed
to the shore,
And now and again they gave a cheer as our can-
ons loomed in sight;
Almost every time we fired, someone they would
exclaim,
"Here's our Cuban independence and our vengeance
for the Maine!"

Things have come upon a turn, the Cuban forts
have fell,
And Spain is getting tired as for peace she now
does yell;
For Uncle Sam on land and sea has used her very
tough;
Her "honors" is satisfied and she's had right
enough.

Peases has been declared, my boys, despatches
came today,
The Bancroft she is ordered north to come with-
out delay;
With all the steam that she can bear, she's cutting
through the foam,
Our brave old ship—she seems to know that she is
headed home.

Right days we've been upon the way, and Boston
now draws near,
The people when they see us, they give a hearty
cheer;
"Here comes the Bancroft!" loud they shout, "she's
been six months away!"
While our anchors they got churning down to the
bottom of Boston bay.

With bag and hammock well tied up they row me
to the shore,
With my year's pay and some good advice (which
I often had before),
And I waved the boys good-bye my thoughts
rolled back again,
To the day of my enlistment, way down in Rock-
land, Maine.

Some days I've been in Boston, now how happy I
do feel,
For when I do get hungry I can get a good square
meal;
My pockets are not empty now, for I have money
to burn,
Also a year's experience, and the many things I've
learned.

When I return to my home again the people they
will stare,
As they see my sailor's uniform, and note my war-
like air;
The situation now that's shown to me, the like you
never saw!
They say, "Here comes our navy boy that's just
come from the war!"

Now come, all young Americans, a warning take
from me,
Don't be too eager to enlist in Uncle Sam's Navy;
For it's all right in times of peace, but in the time
of war,
You may by chance leave all your bones upon
some foreign shore.

My story now is ended, one favor I will ask,
Don't be too hard on poor old Jack, as he goes
rolling back;
For benefits that faded uniform, there bea a
heart as true
As any man who in our land puts on the country's
blue.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth,
Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy,
MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP for children
teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums,
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remedy for diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

IN A CORNER OF THE LIBRARY

Sir Henry Irving's lecture on The Theatre
in its Relation to the State, delivered at the
University of Cambridge June 15, is repro-
duced in full in the Living Age for July 30.
No one could be more competent than the
distinguished actor to treat such a subject.

The English schoolboys who coaxed a
sprightly letter for their little magazine from
Mr. Kipling have found their account in it.
There is a craze among collectors for this
author's work, and the number of the tiny
publication in which the letter appeared now
sells at a little less than \$1.50 a copy.

The August number of McClure's Magazine
is a special fiction number with a story of
school life by Rudyard Kipling; a story of
lines and icebergs by Catcliffe Hlyce; a
chapter in the life of the "King of Boyville,"
showing the King in his first experience of
love, by William Allen White; the story of a
love adventure in a London fog, by Hester
Caldwell Oakley; a railroad story by John A.
Hill; and a characteristic story of rural life
by Rowland E. Robinson.

A biography of John Manners, Marquis of
Granby, is coming out in London. The
vast material used has been derived from the
British record office, the British Museum and
the archives preserved at Belvoir. The Granby
MSS., not only throw interesting light on the
fateful Seven Years' War, but also upon the
state of the Scotch Highlands after Culloden.
Granby served in "Butcher" Cumberland's
army. A letter of his written in 1746, when
the writer was twenty-five, describes the de-
vastation of the Highlands.

The vicarage of Dean Prior, where Robert
Herrick lived, has been partially modernized
and added to, but the main structure is the
same as in the days when the poet wrote his
"Hesperides" within its walls. He died
there in 1633, at the age of eighty-four. It
is interesting to remember that some eighty
years ago a very aged woman, resident at
Dean Prior, was wont to repeat, as what she
called her "night prayers," Herrick's beau-
tiful "Elegy on the Death of Sir John Suck-
land," which she had learned from the lips of
her own parent (once a servant of Herrick's
vicarage), "and thus the verses had lived
through nearly two centuries upon the lips of
three unlettered women."

Andrew Lang is moved to say in "At the
Sign of the Ship" some amiable things about
"popular poets"—"who are not really poets at
all," he admits, "but who express blameless
emotion in easy verse, who give to the gen-
eral reader ideas which are, or easily might be,
his own, in language rather better than that
which he could clothe them. Most gen-
erations have their poets or poets of this am-
iable sort. Their works are much in request,
where students do not care for the great or
the little masters, for Shakespeare or Suck-
ling, Milton or Carew. The many editions of
these mild mediocre minstrels seem '

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The Porto Ricans seem rather glad to see us.

Spain is still throwing fits over the expected arrival of the American fleet that hasn't yet sailed.

The Courier-Gazette hopes Mayor Butler will succeed in getting that government coal station at Rockland. There's not a better place on the coast, and Rear Admiral Belknap must know it.

Every reader of our paper ought to have a copy of The Courier-Gazette's splendid War Atlas. It tells you all about it and will enable you to follow the progress of events as we enter upon discussions of peace.

With two Rockland naval officials at Key West at the same time with Spanish prizes our city feels honored. It is possible that Snow and Snow will shake each other by the hand and congratulate him on his good fortune.

It is interesting to note the attempts of the German newspapers to get aboard with the United States, now that they see us so victorious. But it is tardy. Germany has missed a great opportunity to make friends with this country. She'll probably never have such another chance.

The peaceful death of Prince Bismarck, on Saturday, at the age of 83, removes one of the great figures of history. He wasn't especially a friend to the United States, but that was a mistake such as many of the European statesmen of the old school were guilty of making. In his later years the humiliation put upon the grand old man by the young kaiser won the sympathy of Americans for the man who more than any other made Germany the great nation that she is.

The Boston Herald for years opposed the enlargement of the American navy. It called the building of modern vessels of war "senseless extravagance," and styled Uncle Sam's warships as "white elephants." What does the Herald think now of those "white elephants," and is it not ashamed of the words used with reference to them and to everything else connected with a broad and national policy for the past ten years or so? "Senseless extravagance," "white elephants" and "a textile rag" all go nicely together and leave such a pleasant remembrance. A mere "textile rag" is the Herald referred to the American flag some time ago. The Godkins, thank Heaven, have very few zealous disciples.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

Long advances are being made towards peace, and the end is likely to come soon, unless Spain should display some special brand of piggishness, which she is very capable of doing. Invested with power to do so the French ambassador approached President McKinley on the subject of peace. The reply of the president and his cabinet has been very frank. Spain must evacuate Cuba and Porto Rico unconditionally; the latter becomes United States territory irrevocably, while Cuba remains under our protection until a stable government can be established there. We are to have coaling stations at several points in the Pacific and to remain in possession of Manila until the Philippine question can arrive at some definite point for action, and this matter is to be in the hands of a commission, virtually a peace commission. If these terms, bitter though they may seem, can be swallowed by Spain, peace will ensue forthwith. Her answer is expected today. But meanwhile the United States goes steadily on sailing wood. Gen. Miles' troops are triumphantly pressing forward in Porto Rico, capturing towns without bloodshed and being hailed as liberators by the oppressed inhabitants.

ROOM PAPERS.

As the room paper season draws to a close, we find we have more stock on hand than we ought to. We shall sell for the next 30 days all papers above five cents a roll at Greatly Reduced Prices! Now is the time to buy if you have any papering to do.

SPEAR, MAY & STOVER.

FATHER AND SON

Commander Snow and Ensign Snow Bring Spanish Prizes to Port.

A Key West despatch date of July 31st says:

Ensign Snow of the U. S. S. Nashville arrived here today in charge of a Spanish prize.

Reports have reached here that Navies on the north coast of the Province of Puerto Principe, Cuba, has been bombarded by the ships of the blockading squadron, evacuated by the Spaniards and the houses burned.

The only American ships known to have been in the vicinity of Navies lately are the Prairie and Badger. The latter captured three Spanish vessels coming out of Navies harbor and took them to the Dry Tortugas.

All were flying Red Cross flags but when boarded were found to contain a number of Spanish soldiers only three of whom were sick. The Badger is expected here shortly.

The Nashville reached Gibara on Tuesday, where she captured the schooner Gibara and the Expresso. On entering the harbor she was met by the former U. S. consul agent and the president of the railroad to Holguin.

He told the Americans of the evacuation of Gibara two days before by Gen. Luque and his 1500 Spanish troops, who feared a concerted attack by the Americans and Cubans.

They fled to Holguin by rail and afterwards tore up the tracks. Gen. Luque left in the Gibara hospital 56 sick and wounded soldiers with a request to Admiral Sampson to see that they were properly cared for.

The next day the Cuban forces consisting of 500 cavalry under Lieut. Col. Rojas and 200 infantry made a triumphal entry into the town.

They were received with acclamations by the Cubans and the town held a festival that day and night.

The insurgents took formal possession, established a police system and sent out scouting parties, and when the Nashville arrived the best of order was being maintained.

The invaders had, however, neglected the schooners in the harbor and the American ships took possession of them.

When Ensign Snow left with a prize crew to bring the Gibara here, it had been practically determined to raise the American flag over the town, and there was small question as to whether disensions might not arise between the Americans and Cubans in consequence of the Gibara-Shafter incident.

Such case Capt. Maynard was resolved to seize and hold the place.

On the way to Key West the prize schooner passed unknown man of war flying no colors, but by her hull apparently French.

This was about sixty miles from Key West, and the warship was heading to the eastward.

She sighted the schooner and turned in her direction but afterwards changed her course again and proceeded.

Readers in this vicinity are following with interest the progress of the Nashville and Badger in the war and take no small degree of pride in the prominence of the two Snows.

It is a singular coincidence that both should bring Spanish prizes into port the same day.

The fact that the prize-master of the Nashville was flying the Red Cross flag by way of subterfuge increases the interest in the capture.

Com. Snow shrewdly suspected that the hospital flags were a "device of the enemy," and hove the vessels to. The three sick Spaniards were landed and the prize crew was ordered to let the three valuable prizes slip away and the commander's watchfulness was amply rewarded.

A dispatch received in Rockland yesterday from Ensign Snow stated that he is in good health and that he has been transferred to the Lancaster, but it is believed that this transfer is only temporary, while Mr. Snow is at Key West with his prize. The Lancaster is a cruiser of 3250 tons, Capt. Tom Perry.

THE BEER CANTEN

Rev. C. S. Cummings the Chaplain Will Thoroughly Investigate It.

Rev. C. S. Cummings of Auburn, chaplain of the First Maine regiment, has been urging the regimental officers at Chickamauga to do their best for the abolishment of the beer canteen.

Rev. Mr. Cummings favors its banishment and isn't afraid to say so.

He contends that it is wrong from any standpoint.

"If the beer drink here," he says, "it can't get good water, Mr. Cummings has offered to raise funds in Maine to supply the whole regiment with the best water to be had. And I am sure that I could do it," says Mr. Cummings. "I think I know the temperance sentiment in this state and have an idea what it would contribute to such a cause. I am glad to see that the beer canteen has been temporarily abolished from the First Maine regiment and trust that the abolishment will be made permanent. The official sanction to beer drinking makes it all the worse." As a reply to the argument that the beer canteen is a money maker for the troops Rev. Mr. Cummings says that he will give them two dollars for every one they get from the beer canteen.

Rev. Mr. Cummings is trying to arrange for a trip to Chickamauga. He wants to look into the canteen beer business and at the same time see the officers and men to whom he is deeply attached. He is pleased with the order of Gen. Miles directing the colonels of all regiments to abolish the beer canteen wherever they may think desirable.

Following are abstracts from letters from Col. Kendall and Surgeon Bradbury:

Chickamauga National Park, July 29, 1898.

My Dear Mr. Cummings:—Since receiving your letter we have made quite a change. We are on a new camping-ground, which I am in hopes will be more healthy than the last one.

We are having quite a lot of sickness, and we stop here through August, we shall have much more. All have to undergo the climatic change and much fever develops. I have abolished the canteen for a time any way, so to study the result, but the sickness that we have is from those who do not, as a rule, use beer. Those, singular as it may seem, are all right. But I can hardly hold you to your promise to give us \$2 for every one we get from the canteen. If I did you would have to send us about \$1500 per month, which I do not like the use or sale of liquor, but after studying the situation, I made up my mind it was the proper, or improper, thing to do. Now if the men cannot get it in our camp, they only go to others within a short distance, and other troops get the benefit.

If you can get a chance to come down we should be mightily pleased. I know you do not feel right because you are not with your regiment, but you could do no different. Your thoughts must go out to us much of the time. Remember me to any who might inquire.

Your friend,

L. H. KENDALL, Col.

24 Div. Hospital, Chickamauga Park, Ga.

My Dear Chaplain:—Would you like to know how we are down here at the hospital? Really, quite nicely now. Yesterday we sent 40 to General Hospital, all typhoids, and have some 40 to 45 on hand today. In all we are caring for 275 to 300 every day and that, too, when we are supposed to have 75 to 100 only. Our grounds are very pretty, in the woods on a gentle slope. The Red Cross are giving a great amount of help in the way of general supplies, etc.

I understand the First Regiment is not so

move their canteen to their new grounds. That is a very wise move, too, though it worked better than I expected.

We have about 30 of our First Maine sick here at present. Not a bad showing, yet by no means the best.

Why don't Gen. Richards make a way for your traveling expenses, and you come down for awhile? Yours truly,

J. H. BRADBURY.

THE OTHER SIDE.

Before the members of the Portland recruiting squad left for Chickamauga last evening a member of the Argus staff interviewed one of them in regard to the "canteen" concerning which so much is being said and written at the present time.

The young man in question has always been strictly temperate and consequently should be in a position to speak fairly with reference to the "canteen" and whether it is a benefit or a detriment to the regiment.

In reply to the question of the writer he said: "I think the canteen is a good thing, in fact I don't know how the boys could get along without it at Chickamauga. Perhaps if the troops were stationed in the North where good water could be obtained there would be no need of a 'canteen,' but the water at Chickamauga is not fit for a dog to drink and I will wager that if some of the people who are now crying the loudest against the 'canteen' were compelled to go to Chickamauga and stay there they would either be drinking beer inside of three days or else they would be in the hospital."

"You can have no idea as to how bad the water is there, it is something terrible and being very dry it is filled with typhoid fever germs. I never drank beer in Portland, but I do here because I have to."

"I have no doubt but if some of the people who object to the 'canteen' would ship the boys over to Portland and stay over night, with me to keep it cool, that they would not mind greatly if the 'canteen' should be discontinued. So far as I have been able to learn, however, they simply want the 'canteen' closed without making any provisions for furnishing the boys with any other beverage and under the circumstances they would have to fall back on the Chickamauga water and take their chances with typhoid. It may be argued that nonalcoholic beverages might be sold in place of beer. This was tried at a time, but the effect of the soft drinks sold was almost as bad as that of the water."

"But the canteen is of advantage in another direction. There is a certain proportion of the men who would drink anyway. If they cannot get it at their own 'canteen' they go to the 'canteen' of some other regiment, or else make a trip to Lytle or Chattanooga where they can obtain all they want. Now at their own 'canteen' they are never given enough to satisfy them, and if they go around among the other regiments or make a trip to the city they are pretty sure to get full."

"When we have our own 'canteen' the money all stays in the regiment and we receive quite a number of 'extras' from the profits. The 'canteen' has been pretty thoroughly tested in the regular army and almost without exception the officers are in favor of it."

THAT COALING STATION

Mayor Butler Writes to Admiral Belknap—That Official's Reply.

A few issues ago The Courier-Gazette reported the visit to this city of Rear Admiral Belknap and other naval officers, who were looking along the Maine coast for the most favorable place for a coaling station.

Just a few days after Admiral Belknap's departure Mayor Butler sent him the following communication:

July 21, 1898

REAR ADMIRAL GEO. E. BELKNAP, U. S. N.

1055 Beacon Street, Brookline, Mass.

My dear Admiral:

Referring to your recent visit to Rockland, I desire to again call attention to the advantages of the location of a coaling station at the establishment of a coaling station for the United States Navy. I have mailed you under a separate cover, the report of the survey of Rockland Harbor, which was made in accordance with the order of the Secretary of the Navy, dated July 17, 1894, and would respectfully ask your careful perusal of the same. I also enclose a newspaper clipping from the Lewiston Journal, which explains that work of dredging the harbor has begun, and will be completed as recommended by the report of the Chief of Engineers. The appropriation of last Congress, for the extension of breakwater, and improvement of the harbor was \$300,000, and when this sum has been fully expended, we may safely claim superior commercial advantages, as well as one of the best harbors of refuge in the world. Many of our leading citizens have expressed to me, their opinion that the breakwater offers superior advantages for the location of a coaling station, as compared with the location of a coaling station on the side would give about fifty feet depth of water; this would enable any ship afloat to make a landing there and could ride at ease in the worst north-easter which ever visit our coast. I have made careful inquiry in regard to the depth of water in the Cove on the South shore, near Owl's Head, and learn that there is the required depth of water, a short distance from the end of the wharf now constructed there, and that the property can be purchased at a reasonable price. Our people are very anxious for your favorable consideration of this point of location, and I shall be glad to offer you any facilities for further investigation. Our Maine delegation in Congress would be solicited to secure for you a meeting with the Navy Department in bringing about this desired result. May I again ask your kind and favorable consideration of the claims of Rockland for the establishment of a U. S. Naval coaling station in this harbor?

I enclose with much pleasure your visit to Rockland, and hope that we may be again favored in the near future. With kindest regards, I am, very respectfully yours,

A. W. BUTLER, Mayor.

Friday Mayor Butler received the following reply:

Boston, July 28, 1898.

HON. A. W. BUTLER, Mayor of Rockland, Rockland, Maine.

Dear Sir: On the return of the Naval Coaling Board from the eastern most part of your recent tour, I received your letter of August 1st, enclosing the report of the Survey of Rockland harbor, which was made in accordance with the River and Harbor Act, August 17, 1894.

I beg to thank you, in behalf of the members of the Board, for your courtesy in the matter. The suggestions in your letter, and the matter embodied in the River and Harbor Act of August 17, 1894, will receive careful consideration by the Board.

Capt. Reed and Civil Engineer Parks join me in expressing to you and to Mr. Spear their appreciation of the many courtesies extended to us during our very pleasant visit to Rockland. With high regards, I am, Faithfully yours,

GEO. E. BELKNAP.

Official Fillet Itching Files.

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MERRITT IS HEARD FROM.

Reports a Troublesome Outlook at the Philippines.

INSURGENTS THREATEN TROUBLE.

Are Elated by Their Victories Over Spanish Troops—Better Armed Than Cuban Rebels Under Garcia—Latest Dispatches From Our Army at Porto Rico—Madrid Said to Have Received Our Answer Giving Terms of Peace—Sick and Wounded Soldiers at New York and Other War News.

Washington, Aug. 1.—Another cablegram has been received from General Merritt relative to the situation in Manila, which he finds very unsatisfactory and dangerous, owing to the attitude of the insurgents. In the opinion of General Merritt the attitude of the insurgents there is similar to that assumed by Garcia's Cubans upon the question of their right to enter and possess themselves of the city, although in this case the insurgents are a very much more formidable element, being not only more numerous but better armed and filled with the arrogance following numerous victories over their Spanish foes.

General Merritt, however, indicates that he will do his utmost to protect the citizens from the ravages of the insurgents. Although his task is a delicate and difficult one, because of the fact that he must, while fighting the Spaniards, be ready at any moment to repel the insurgents. The general gave notice that he was about to combine with Admiral Dewey in a joint military and naval force, and that he would do his utmost to protect the citizens from the ravages of the insurgents.

It is possible, in view of the fact that General Merritt's

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN

Advertisements in this column not to exceed five lines inserted once for 25 cents, four times for 50 cents.

Lost and Found

LOST—A pair of GOLD EYE GLASSES with chain attached, probably on Spring or Main street. Finder will please return to Mrs. E. B. MAYO, 22 Masonic Street. 62-62

Bank Book Lost.

Notice is hereby given that Alice H. Lane of Vinalhaven, Me., has notified the Rockland Savings Bank that deposit book No. 16407, issued to him by said bank is lost and that he wishes to obtain a duplicate thereof. 62-62

ROCKLAND SAVINGS BANK.

By E. D. SPAN, Treas. 62-62

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FOR SALE—A small UPRIGHT PIANO in splendid condition. Call or address 16 School St. Rockland, Me. 62-62

CENTER BOARD SLOOP BOAT, 21 feet over all; swift, safe and able. New last season; light draft; bargain. CORTELLI, Pleasant Street, Rockport. 61-64

SIX HEAVY WAGONS—suitable for hauling paving or stone. All ready to hook to. Will be sold cheap. CORTELLI, Pleasant Street, Rockport. 61-64

FOR SALE—Three pair Heavy Double Team Harness, cast iron manhoods, etc. etc. CORTELLI, Pleasant St., Rockport. 61-64

HORSE FOR SALE—Six years old, weight 1200. Sound and kind, a good driver and an extra good worker. Address or call on C. C. COUGHE, Union, Me. 61-61

\$75—BUYS A GOOD FAMILY HORSE—suitable for wagon, harness and horse. Good value. Apply to W. F. NICHOLSON, Druggist. 62-62

A FIELD OF TEN ACRES—Cuts a good quantity of hay and several bushels of cranberries, can be made very valuable. Price \$7500. F. M. SHAW, Real Estate Dealer, 417 Main Street, Rockland, Me. 62-62

BARGAINS IN REAL ESTATE—I have for sale the Herman Young place on the Arroyo Harbor road at Vinal Haven, and the David Lawry place on the Dyer's Island road, and some other places going to get a big trade in one or both of these places. Both houses new and in good shape, and we can give perfect title. Write to M. T. CRAVATH, Camden, Me. 62-62

FOR SALE—A business of twenty-eight years, Miss Beecher's Hair Dye. For further information apply to F. E. THOMPSON, 814 Pleasant St., Rockland. 61-61

FOR SALE—100 cords of split wood for sale cheap. Apply to G. R. BICKNELL, 814 Pleasant St., Rockland. 61-61

FOR SALE—A 14-foot Boat in good repair. Will be sold cheap for cash. Just the boat for pond or lake fishing. W. H. PECKING, Warren, Me. 61-61

FARM FOR SALE—The Homestead of the late Warren Benson, situated in Walden on the Union road. Buildings in good repair, never failing water in pasture, and moving fields in good condition. A year's supply of fire wood fitted and stored. Everything in shape to commence farming operations. A large lot and later lot not connected with the homestead will be sold also. This property will positively be sold at a bargain. For full particulars call on or address E. T. BENNER, No. Warren, or C. A. BENNER, Rockport, Me. 62-62

FOR SALE—Advertise in this column and everybody will read it. 62-62

FOR SALE—At 80, Union, house and stable, house built five years, stable three, newly painted last year, thoroughly well built, house finished in hardwood, stable all planned and finished in house cellar, and in stable cellar. For further information write to or inquire of owner, WILL E. CUMMINGS, Union, Me. 62-62

A LARGE ROOM HOUSE with dry cellar; lot 6200; located No. 18 Birch street, near North Main street. The house is in good repair, never been occupied, and is offered for sale at less than cost. Address J. N. FARNHAM, 32 Cedar Street. 62-62

THE HOMESIDE of the late John A. Emery, located at Ingraham's Hill, one mile from the Rockland postoffice. The buildings consist of a two story dwelling house and ells in good repair, with bath room, water closet, hot and cold water (cylinder), stable, carriage house, etc. The property is situated on a high and healthy spot, containing about 1 1/2 acres, under good cultivation, with from 60 to 80 fruit bearing trees of the best varieties. Also another lot of land, containing about 3 acres, under excellent cultivation, with shore privileges, on the east side of the Union road, newly opened buildings. The property will be sold at a bargain, and on easy terms, to the right purchaser. Apply for the present to MRS. J. A. EMERY, on the premises, or to E. H. LAWRY, Rockland, Maine. Rockland, Me., April 7, 1898. 29-67

To Let.

SUMMER COTTAGE TO RENT—The Miller cottage, charmingly situated, at Salsard Park is for rent; \$5 per week. Apply to G. H. TALBOT, Camden, Me. 62-62

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TALK OF THE TOWN.

Dr. W. B. Sherman has the new telephone service.

Herbert Winslow of Boston has bought the Alexander Cummings house on Limerock street and may move here later.

In A. C. Hahn's window are some remarkably fine specimens of green peas. They are "statagems" and were raised by Charles Dyer of Hope.

Clement Commander, K. T., voted in a new member last night in the person of Fred K. Allen of Camden. There was also work in the order of the Red Cross.

The case of John McKay versus the New England Dredging Co. was argued orally before the full bench in Portland Saturday.

Mortland and Johnson for the plaintiff, Hale and Rice for the defendant company.

There are several applicants for the position of superintendent of schools, rendered vacant by the resignation of Supt. Irving. Among them is a local applicant, Miss Anna Coughlin, at present an assistant in the High School.

Notwithstanding that many rumors have been about to the effect that there will be no polo in Rockland this season we can state that polo enthusiasts will see the best team here that ever wore a Rockland uniform. In fact the risk has already been engaged. A meeting of the league will be held next month at which business of importance will be transacted.

The regular monthly Masonic meetings occur this week as follows: Tuesday night, Rockland Lodge, F. & A. M., Wednesday night, Aurora Lodge, F. & A. M., Thursday night, King Solomon Temple Chapter, R. A. M., Friday night, King Hiram Council, R. S. M., Wednesday night at 7 o'clock the directors of Pioneer Conclave Mutual Aid Association will meet.

A letter was received in Bath Friday directed "To Any Sea Captain in Bath, Maine, who wants a freight to Cuba." It was from an old soldier in Orchard Hill, N. H., and contained the suggestion that a vessel be sent immediately to Rockland for a cargo of good line and proceed immediately to Santiago. The line could be used to great advantage in the streets and there is no doubt it is needed very much there at present.

The departure of Sergeant McLoon and Private Carver for Chickamauga is as yet uncertain although they will probably go west until the latter part of next week. Mr. Carver thinking that he was to go last week announced that he would take along in the company's chest such articles as friends and relatives might wish to send the boys. This was productive of quite a large quantity of parcels although Private Carver hardly looked for cake, pastry and such like.

Knox District Lodge of Good Templars meet with the West Appleton lodge tomorrow. So far as can be learned there will be no delegates from this city. Last week Good Templars met at a very low ebb in this city, county and state. Where there used to be 2000 members in Knox county there are now less than 400, and in place of the 20,000 members Prohibition Maine could at one time boast there are now only about 3000.

Immediate steps are taken the order bids fair to pass into the hands of a receiver, figuratively speaking.

Our musical people will attend the entertainment to be given in the Camden Opera House, Tuesday evening, August 9, for on this occasion will appear the world famous blind pianist Edward Baxter Perry. The Munich Kunich-Anzeiger of February 25 says: "With our large art export to America it is for us of the highest importance to become acquainted with the artistic types which America herself produces. In Mr. Perry we saw and heard on Thursday a representative of this American art, and we confess without hesitation that it aroused in us the greatest respect. In the special field which he occupies, namely his own—that of the emotional, lyric and melodious—we can but regard him as an interpreter of the rank. His technical equipment is in all instances adequate to his undertakings, and he unites therewith extraordinary musical feeling, a highly original emotional nature, and a profound and intelligent perception of the poetical content of the tonal works which he presents. . . . In his program the name of Chopin occupied by far the greater space, which fact not only demonstrates the drawn essence of the player for this composer, but forcibly illustrates the artistic individuality above referred to. Indeed, in this part of the program the powers of the performer rose to their highest pitch. Scherzo and the Nocturne were masterpieces of pianistic interpretation. . . . When to all these merits is added the fact that Mr. Perry is deprived of sight, he becomes at once a remarkable artistic personality. The audience gave the transatlantic visitor an unusually warm reception."

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General Secretary Brumberg says that the Y. M. C. A. moonlight excursion will occur the last week in August and that it has not been given up as some thought.

E. N. Lord is the champion clover leaf finder; Sunday he picked 43 specimens of the four leaf variety, 18 of the five-leaf, and one of the seven-leaf. The six-leaf kind evaded his search.

That postponed moonlight excursion to Stonington occurs this evening, the fates permitting. It is the purpose of the management to take along a good orderly crowd. There will be a dance at Stonington in connection with the affair.

An excursion from Brewer was in the city Sunday bring about 175 people. The day was not an especially good one but the Brewer folks seemed not to mind that a bit. The excursion was gotten up by the Brewer Cadet Band which furnished music on the trip.

The opportunity for a delightful outing is afforded by the excursion to Verona Park next Sunday, on steamer Merryencoe. The steamer will leave Tillson's wharf at 7.30 a. m. touching at Camden, Temple Heights and Northport both ways. An electric car will leave Thomaston at 7 a. m. The fare from all landings is only 50 cents and gives everybody a chance to enjoy a magnificent sail without having to get up too early before breakfast. The first meeting of the Verona Park association will be held Sunday.

The excursion on the Maine Central to Old Orchard Sunday, although not attended by a very large number from this city, was a decided success. The towns along the line of the Knox & Lincoln and between Bath and Portland furnished the carloads, while Lewiston, Waterville and other places on the main line showed up with a train twice this size, and these crowds gave the favorite Maine watering place an old time appearance. The big steel pier was the principal attraction and was thronged all day. Our old friend W. A. Kimball, has charge of the excursion business of the pier, and has his hands full to handle the crowds that patronize the excursion boats which ply around the bay and islands. The big French band furnished music for the concert and has been engaged for next Sunday.

The Proprietor's annual ball at Bay Point will occur on Thursday evening, Aug. 4, and promises to excel any social event that has ever taken place at this popular resort. Mr. Sewell is sparing neither pains nor money in endeavoring to make it a grand and unequivocal success. The entire affair will be under the supervision of Edmund Elton, the well known actor. The decorations are to be very elaborate and the music will be furnished by a large orchestra.

The picnic of the Simpson House Friday afternoon and evening, going on the steamer Vinalhaven. The afternoon was spent at boating, fishing and the multitude of other diversions afforded by this delightful locality. About 70 members of the society were present and fully prepared to enjoy the occasion to the utmost, as they did. Supper was served in the commodious dining hall of the Simpson House at 5 o'clock, the usual picnic viands being enforced by steaming fish chowder prepared by Mrs. A. F. Pillsbury and Mrs. Lillian Sprague Copping. The dining hall was decorated in an extremely attractive manner, the tables being arranged in the form of a maltese cross, while wild flowers and sweet peas lent their delightful presence to the occasion. In the evening there was a musical program with highly appreciated specialties by Miss Anna Crockett, Miss Grace Emery and A. Ross Weeks. The picnicers remained until a late hour in the evening, enjoying every moment of the stay and returning on steamer Catherine by the light of the moon. The Philharmonics will also have a picnic of the Simpson House and their picnic of 1898.

Bangor Commercial: It is well enough to make jokes about the brass buttons and the girls, but all fun aside, Rockland isn't to be blamed for wanting the navy coal station which is to be fixed somewhere on this coast. That is a fine city there at the mouth of the Penobscot. It is growing nearer and nearer to Bangor every year by water and rail connection. Before long, perhaps, we may be able to visit it on the trolley. The coal station would cause frequent visits from the big ships of the navy, and the man who doesn't regard that as an advantage, nowadays, isn't fit to be a citizen of this country. We haven't had enough pride in our city, before this war, nor in the men who man them. We haven't been quick enough to resent insulting stabs offered to our sailors and officers from the mouths of poor little chaps who wouldn't dare face a deaf and dumb Spaniard in daylight. I hope Rockland will get the station. Then in a sense, the whole Penobscot will get the advantage of the ships.

Affairs connected with the poor department are in a very satisfactory condition, after the hard time. During the month of July Chairman Hall drew only 120 orders, the smallest number for a year, and only four in excess of last July. When it is taken into consideration that sometimes nearly 400 orders are drawn in a month this shows up especially well. About 20 families outside of the almshouse are receiving assistance and there are 16 inmates at that institution. The crops are looking finely and Master Perry looks for between 100 and 200 bushels of potatoes. This year the potatoes will be taken to the city store instead of being sold from the farm. The hay crop was exceptionally good also, over 20 tons being cut. The old plowmen who by the street crew is being used for firewood this summer, and the city has been saved about 15 cords in this way. The buildings look even attractive in their coat of new paint and Rockland has nothing to be ashamed of in the appearance of its almshouse and premises.

The excursion to Monhegan Sunday on the Merryencoe was one of the largest and best that ever went out of Rockland. Capt. Archibald always has successful excursions and this one was no exception. Promptly at 7.30 the lines were cast off, and the usual number of people who think that the start of an excursion is put off as long as there is a would-be excursionist in sight, arrived in time to see the boat well underway. The sea was wonderfully smooth, the sun hid its face behind clouds all day but the atmosphere was mild and balmy. Stops were made at Port Clyde, Friendship, Round Pond, Bremen and New Harbor and at all these places large crowds were added to the Rockland contingent. Moxie's Cove was passed where there is a large rocky point. About a hundred men are employed here and 7,000 barrels of oil will be put up this season. The factory is on the shore and the nearest settlement is miles away but the employees form a little colony of their own. The trip along shore was of ever increasing delight, then a run of eleven miles straight out to sea to Monhegan, which was reached at twelve o'clock. There was a grand rush for the two hotels for dinner by one 300 and more excursionists. In regard to dinner there was but one comment—"the best I ever had." Then for a run of a couple of hours over this attractive and picturesque island. Monhegan covers a thousand acres, with steep hills, bold surface and heavily wooded valleys. There are about 100 people on the island and the population is but slowly increasing. The light house is situated on the highest point and is 175 feet above sea level. Its light is plainly visible 25 miles at sea. There is a most important light and more ships take their course from it than any other light on the New England coast. The island grass furnishes nourishment to a goodly number of cows, but one lone horse does all the trucking. The people do but very little farming but are lining their pockets with Uncle Sam's money secured from the sale of fish lured from the depths of the ocean. Monheganites are thrifty and industrious and 'tis said that none of them are ever poor. We did not get the opportunity to visit the cliffs on which are inscribed those strange characters so much written about but an intelligent appearing Monheganite informed us that the characters on the rocks were formed simply by the action of the water. Monhegan was left at three o'clock, so were some of the excursionists, and home was reached by nine o'clock.

Prof. R. C. Rankin is making arrangements for one of those pleasant hops at Oakland pavilion next Tuesday night.

The large congregation at the First Baptist church Sunday morning listened with great interest and enjoyment to the solo, "The Lord Is My Shepherd," rendered by Miss Jennie F. Ingraham. Miss Ingraham's voice shows wonderful improvement from her season's study in Boston.

By kind permission of Mr. Sewell, the proprietor and manager of Bay Point Hotel, for the benefit of the orphanage a sale of decorative and fancy articles will be held in the music room of the hotel on Thursday, August 11, from 2 to 6 p. m. and in the evening at 8.15 a theatrical and musical entertainment will be given under the direction of Mr. Elton. Tickets for the performance in the evening can be had at the office of the hotel for 50 cents, children 25 cents.

The Free Baptist Sunday School excursion to White Head will be held tomorrow if the day is fair, if not fair it will be held the next fair day. The church bell will be rung at 8 a. m. The steamer Somers N. Smith with a vessel in tow will leave Tillson's wharf at 7.30 a. m. An electric car will leave the church at 7.30 for the wharf for one fare. The price of the excursion tickets is 20c for those under 15 years of age and 35c for those over.

The United States Civil Service Commission announce that an examination will be held for several positions in this city on some dates between Oct. 1 and 15. All persons who desire to be examined should apply to the secretary of the board of examiners at the Rockland postoffice for application blanks, and full information relative to the scope of the examination. Applications must be filed in complete form with the secretary of the board prior to the hour of closing business on Sept. 1, otherwise the applicants can not be examined. Soon after filing applications applicants will be notified as to the exact date of examination.

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At "Howlerside" Mr. and Mrs. John B. Howard entertained Edgar Crockett, Harry Hicks and W. A. Moody. Mr. Hicks sent out five carrier pigeons after his arrival and they started for Rockland on a bee line.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricker were the banner entertainers Sunday. Here is a list of their guests: Jessie Sleeper and dog Simon, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dow, Mr. and Mrs. Jollan Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Will Sleeper and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodenough, Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Sleeper and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stanley, Mrs. Julia Allen, Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan and daughter, Ross Allen, Charles Sleeper, Al Sleeper, Harold Goodenough, J. Taylor Fletcher, Miss Celia Coombs, Miss Rebecca Sleeper, Mrs. Ernest Moore, Miss Ava Dow, Miss Ella Dow, Miss Minnie Bassett, Sam Hall, Ethel Goodenough, Laura, Jessie and Marion Goggins, Miss Addie Ward, Mrs. Will Malcolm, Freeman Drake, Mrs. Asa Coombs, Miss Lu Sweetland. The Rickers and their guests had a clam bake and corn roast.

Stray Political Gossip

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the British Embassy. Since that time our friendship had been renewed, and we had spent many a pleasant evening together.

"You're an early visitor," he laughed, shaking hands cordially. "Well, what is it? A message from your indefatigable chief?"

"No, not exactly," I smiled. "I have a friend who wants to go to Russia and desires a passport."

"Well, he can get one at the Consul-General's office," my friend answered, without removing his cigarette. "I'll give you a note, if you like."

"No," I said. "First, it is not a man who is going, but a woman; and, secondly, I want a passport issued by the Embassy in a name other than the real name of its bearer."

"Oh," he exclaimed suspiciously, glancing straight at me. "Something shady, eh? Who's the woman?"

"Well, she's hardly a woman yet," I answered. "A pretty girl who has lost her father and desires to return to her friends in Petersburg."

"What's her name?"

"You know her," I said slowly. "I came to you on her behalf some time ago when a warrant was out for the arrest of her and her father. I—"

"Of course, I quite remember," he answered quickly, interrupting me. "Anton Korolenko escaped with his daughter, that ingenious little nymph Sonia, who came and pitched you a long, almost idyllic yarn and you came here to intercede. I then kept my promise by returning the warrant, but I tell you I narrowly escaped getting into a devil of a scrape about it."

"But you can manage to give me a false passport for her, can't you?" I urged.

"Where's her father? If he goes back their whole game will be given away."

"Her father is dead," I answered. "Dead! Well, the grave is, I think, about the best place for such an enterprising old scoundrel, and as for his daughter, hang it, old chap, ten years in Nerehinsk wouldn't hurt her. What story has she been telling you this time, eh?" he asked.

"She is lonely without her father, and in order to secure her property, which is about to be seized by her uncle, she is bound to be in Petersburg within fourteen days."

"Fourteen days," repeated my friend reflectively. "Let's see, to-day's the twelfth, and he made some rapid calculations upon his blotting pad. 'Well, what else?' he inquired, looking up at me keenly.

"Nothing, except that she dare not return under her own name."

"I should scarcely think she'd better," he laughed. "Unless she wants to spend the remainder of her days in that rather uncomfortable hotel called Schlusberg, where the beds are not aired and there are no toilet glasses. But, tell me," he added, gravely, a moment later. "Why do you interest yourself in her welfare? She's entertaining and rather pretty, I've been told, but surely you, who are engaged to that charming girl to whom you introduced me at the Gayety one evening a few weeks ago, really ought not to associate yourself with Anton Korolenko's daughter. She's a criminal."

CHAPTER XVII.

A SPY'S STORY.

"I have an object," I said briefly. "Every man says that when a girl has lost his fancy. I know the world, old fellow."

"But it so happens that I've not been captivated by her charms," I retorted. "Do not be entrapped by a pretty face or a fine pair of eyes, that's my advice," my companion said, slowly striking a match.

"I can assure you, old fellow, I shall not be misled by any pretty face, even if it has diamond eyes," I said quite unthinkingly. Sonia's strange words recurring to me at that moment.

"Diamond eyes!" gasped Paul Verbloudovitch, starting visibly and holding the burning match still between his fingers without lighting his cigarette. He had in that instant grown paler, and I thought I detected that his hand trembled, almost imperceptibly, he said. "What do you mean?" he demanded with a strange fierceness in his gaze. "What do you know of Diamond Eyes?"

"I know nothing of diamond eyes," I replied, surprised at Paul's excited inquiry. "I don't claim originality for it. To Sonia is the credit due."

"To Sonia!" he exclaimed, glancing sharply at me. "Then it is true, as I suspected, that she has been telling you some of her ingenious falsehoods."

"Scarcely that," I replied, thrusting my hands deeply into my pockets. "She has merely urged me to go to Ella and ask her whether she is acquainted with any one with diamond eyes."

"As I thought," he cried, rising and pacing the floor furiously. "It is exactly as I expected. She is trying to entrap you as she has the others, and has embarked upon the first step by speaking thus of Ella, and sowing seeds of suspicion in your mind. Surely you have confidence in her, or you would not have asked her to be your wife."

"There is a mystery connected with her," I said, quietly. "A mystery deep and inscrutable that perplexes me to the point of distraction."

"Tell me about it," Verbloudovitch said, interested.

It was upon my tongue to relate to him the whole of the facts sub silentio, but a thought at that instant occurred to me that such a course would be unjust to Ella; therefore I evaded his invitation to make him my confidant. Re-

turning quickly to the object for which I had sought him, I persuaded him to assist me by giving me a passport for Sonia.

"You seem actuated by some spirit of animosity against her," I blurted forth.

"Not at all. I've never seen her in my life," he protested. "You apparently want confirmation of my words. Well, you shall have it at once," and he touched an electric button.

The summons was instantly obeyed by a messenger in uniform, and to this man Paul spoke some words. A few minutes later a short, middle-aged Russian entered.

His hair was gray, his clean-shaven face was rather red and slightly pimply, his small jet-black eyes were set too closely together, and his low brows met above his nose. Fashionably attired in frock coat of light gray, with a pink carnation in the lapel, he looked as sprick and span that I regarded him with genuine surprise. When my friend, introducing us, said:

"This Geoffrey, is Ivan Renouf. I dare say you have heard of him. He is now chief of the section of Secret Police attached to our Embassies of London and Paris."

"Renouf," my friend exclaimed, "I want to ask you a question. What character does Sonia Korolenko bear?"

"For the past nine months we have kept her under strict surveillance, expecting that she intended to recommence operations in London. Indeed, I have here in my pocket the report for the last forty-eight hours," and he took from his breast pocket a long folded paper. "It shows, among other things, that she has had several visitors at her house in Kensington, one of whom was a gentleman who, according to the description, must have been a strong resemblance to m'sieur. Two hours before this man had called a lady visited her and remained with her about an hour." Then, reading from the report, he continued, "the description says, tall, good-looking, blue eyes, reddish-brown hair, straw hat trimmed with pale blue, brown shoes, light blouse, black cycling skirt."

"By heaven!" I cried excitedly. "That's Ella! Every word of that description tallies, even to the dress, boots and hat!"

"She is a frequent visitor," the detective observed. "She calls on her bicycle every day."

"Every day!" I echoed in astonishment. "I did not know they were friends."

"Did I not tell you that she was concealing the truth?" Paul observed, smiling at my dismay. "Tell m'sieur of the past, Ivan."

"Ah! her record is a very black one—very black," the officer of police answered gravely, fixing his small dark eyes upon me. "Her swindling transactions extend over several years, and she has no doubt acquired quite a fortune, while at least one of her victims has lost his life. By one coup she accomplished in Moscow with the aid of that soft-spoken old scoundrel, her father, she pocketed nearly one hundred thousand rubles between them."

"I really can't believe it," I exclaimed dumbfounded.

"You apparently suspect the woman you love of some terrible crime or other," Paul said after a pause. "I can't understand you, Geoffrey. I must confess. Of what do you suspect her—of a crime?"

"Yes," I answered gravely, "of a crime."

I fancied he started as I spoke, almost imperceptibly, perhaps, yet I could have sworn that my words produced within him some nervous apprehension.

"I see, Deedes, it's quite useless to argue longer. If you are determined to assist her I suppose I must obtain for you the necessary paper."

"Thanks, old fellow, thanks! I knew you would help me," I exclaimed enthusiastically.

"I cannot tell you have it before this evening. If you will send Jukes around at 7 you shall have it with the visa and everything complete."

CHAPTER XVIII.

SOME SURPRISES.

Several weeks passed uneventfully. In fulfillment of my promise to Sonia I had obtained the required permit and taken it personally to Pembroke Road on the same evening, but on arrival there discovered that the pretty Russian had been unexpectedly summoned to the bedside of a sick friend. She had, however, left a note with the English maid asking me to enclose the document in an envelope and leave it.

From day to day I waited in the expectation of a letter from her, but although I remained in anxiety and doubt, for more than a month, none came, and I was at last compelled to admit that I had actually been tricked, as Paul had predicted. He was right after all. Sonia, the innocent-looking girl with sad dark eyes and dimpled chin was a woman internationally notorious, who, soft-voiced, had posed as my friend in order to attain her own ends, and had then departed without carrying out her part of the compact.

Then at last, five weeks after Sonia's flight, I called at Pont street and demanded of Ella the reason she had visited the house in Pembroke Road. Her reply was quite unexpected. She told me quite calmly that they had been school fellows at Neuilly, and that, finding Sonia had lost both her parents, she went to Pembroke Road each day to bear the bereaved girl company. She was in ignorance regarding Sonia's life since she had left the French school, and expressed sur-

prise that she should have departed suddenly without telling her of her destination. Her replies to my inquiries set my mind at rest upon several points. It appeared quite plain that Ella herself had told Sonia of her engagement to me and had described the tragic incident at Staines, therefore the pretty refugee had been enabled to drop those ingenious hints at mystery that had so sorely puzzled me, and had cleverly secured my interests on her behalf.

She eyed me gravely, but spoke no word.

Yet in that instant I knew I had misjudged her, that through these long anxious weeks while I had entertained dark suspicions she had nevertheless still loved me honestly and truly. I know not what words I uttered, but a few moments later I found her sobbing in my fond embrace. Her tears were tears of joy.

"How I wish that this night could last forever," I said with a sigh of supreme contentment. "In my memory it will live always."

"Always?" she echoed, looking tenderly into my face; then for the first time she put her arms around me and held me tightly pressed against her heart.

The man was none other than Ivan Renouf, the great Russian detective.

"Yes, always," I said. "Until I die."

"Ah! Don't speak of death," she whispered. "If you died, I—I should die also, Geoffrey. I could not live without you. How I have endured these dark weary weeks I scarcely know."

Mrs. Laing, stiff and stately in black satin, entered the room a few moments later, and Ella having whispered and obtained my consent, forthwith made a full and complete statement to her mother of the position of affairs. The old lady listened attentively in silence, inclining her head now and then with a gesture indicative of approbation, but when her daughter had concluded her face brightened.

"I am indeed glad to think that dear Ella is to marry you, after all, Geoffrey," she said. "Once, not so very long ago, I feared that you two would never again be reconciled, for Ella moped day after day, crying and quite spoiling her complexion. But I am absolutely sure that this marriage is one that Ella's father would have approved, therefore you have my entire consent and heartiest congratulations."

"Thank you, Mrs. Laing," I answered. "I, too, am convinced that we love each other sufficiently well, and I can only promise to be a sympathetic and devoted husband."

Then, deeming it but just that they both should know the reason of my recent coolness and suspicion, I told them in confidence of the mysterious theft of the secret convention, the strange and tragic events that followed, the discovery of the seal on the body of Dudley Ogle, and my absurd belief that Ella had, in some way, been implicated in the ingenious efforts of the spy.

"Do you actually suspect poor Dudley of having been in the pay of the Russian Government?" Mrs. Laing asked open-mouthed in dismay.

"I do," I was constrained to reply. "While I had been speaking the door had opened and as I glanced from Ella across to Mrs. Laing I saw a gray-haired man-servant in the act of handing her a letter."

The man was none other than Ivan Renouf, the great Russian detective.

Nearly three months had slipped away. It was mid-November. The cloud that had darkened my days had lifted, the sun shone out, and life and hope sprang up and ran riot in my heart. The long, anxious weeks were over, for Ella was now my wife, and our lives were full of joy and love. With utter contempt for the warning words of the ingenious Russian who left so mysteriously without fulfilling her promise, I had taken the dearest other half of my soul, happy in the knowledge that I would be a solitary wretch no more.

With Ella as my wife I had passed six blissful weeks visiting many of the quaint old-world towns in Central France. It had been Ella's fancy to do this. She hated the glare and glitter of Paris, and would only remain there the night on our outward and homeward journeys; indeed, cities had no charm for her; she preferred the lethargic provincial towns from which she could make excursions into the country, and spent the bright Autumn days at old-fashioned inns.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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BOURGOGNE
WAS IN FAULT.

Cromartyshire Is Freed From
Blame by Halifax Court.

IN GREAT SABLE ISLAND HORROR.

Steamer Violated International Rules For Ocean Navigation—Bourgogne Had Steam Whistle and Sailing Craft a Fog Horn—Both Were Used and Heard. Steamer Should Have Kept Out of the Way of the Cromartyshire—This Is Clearly Laid Down.

Halifax, N. S., July 28.—The decision of the court of inquiry given here today exonerates Captain Henderson and the officers of the ship Cromartyshire from all blame in the matter of the La Bourgogne disaster.

The report was made by Captain W. H. Smith of the British Royal Naval Reserve, with whom was associated in the investigation Captain Bloomfield Douglas, R. N. R., and Captain Lewis Anderson, nautical assessor.

Captain Smith refers briefly to the voyage of the Cromartyshire up to the night of July 3, and dwells at length on the incidents of the collision as described by the master and a crew of the sailing vessel, and says that:

At the time the two ships came into collision the concussion was so violent and the blow inflicted so heavy that the sailing vessel was driven apparently considerably from the course she was heading, although the number of points she was caused to deviate is not stated exactly, but the effect of the blow caused her headway to be stopped and made her unmanageable. The jibboom and bowsprit of the Cromartyshire passed over the side of the steamer and were broken and torn away from the starboard side of the sailing ship with all the gear attached and cast over the lee side.

The foremast was also broken and came down from aloft and fell over the same side of the ship. The collision bulkhead remained intact, which saved the ship from foundering. The damage to the other vessel sustained was not known to those on board the sailing vessel, and could not be, as the evidence shows she passed quickly out of sight across the bow to starboard. She was, however, observed to be a steamer with two red funnels, and only one man on board the sailing ship noticed any person on the steamer's deck. This was William Haley, the lookout man. He says, "I saw some people on the steamer's deck forward and two men on the bridge. The men shouted out in a foreign language and I could not tell what they said."

Captain Smith's report proceeds to set forth the measures taken immediately on the collision, and to discover if there was loss of life on the steamer. It tells of the all day search for survivors, and then the towing of the damaged ship to Halifax by the Allan liner Grecian. Special attention is drawn to the international laws to prevent collisions at sea, which the report says "should have been observed by these vessels," and which were adopted at the Washington conference and came into force July 1 of last year.

There can be no doubt, it is added, "that the steamer was supplied with an efficient steam whistle, and that it was sounded at regular intervals. The officers of the sailing ship and most of the crew heard it several times before the collision. Abundant proof is also produced that the sailing ship had an efficient horn, and was using it according to regulations. From statements made by witnesses in this case there is an indication that the sailing ship's horn was heard on board the steamer and was answered by her."

With regard to the speed of the steamer at the time of the collision no proof can be absolutely and correctly known, as to its rate, except from the inferences drawn from the various statements made in evidence. Perhaps her speed will never be accurately known. Taking the distance the steamer had run from Sandy Hook bar and the time elapsed when she had reached the position where the collision occurred it gives an average speed of between 16 and 17 knots per hour. From the sudden manner the steamer first came in sight upon the port bow of the sailing ship and her equally quick disappearance in the fog immediately after the casualty, as shown by the evidence, the court is forced to the conclusion that the steamer was proceeding at a very high rate of speed. Article 29 states that when a steam vessel and a sailing vessel are proceeding in such directions as to involve risk of collision the steam vessel shall keep out of the way of the sailing vessel. For reasons unknown to the court the steamer did not keep clear of the sailing vessel.

Article 21 says, "Whereby any of these rules one of the two vessels is to keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed." The evidence upon this point is of a clear and satisfactory character and conclusively proves that the sailing ship under the circumstances did keep her course and speed, according to the provisions of the act. Those in charge of the ship adhered absolutely to the regulations, no deviation whatever being made from her course until she was driven away from it in consequence of being in collision with the steamer. The court is of opinion that her master would not have been justified in departing from the statutory regulations unless he could have sheltered himself under the conditions pointed out in article 21. Had the steamer been in sufficient time it is possible some maneuver might have been made on board the sailing ship for that purpose, but it was impossible in from 10 to 20 seconds to do that.

All the necessary duties were performed on the sailing ship with proper caution, and due diligence was exercised in her navigation by her captain when the character of the fog was taken

into consideration. Captain Henderson of the Cromartyshire and the officers of his ship are, therefore, exonerated from blame for the collision and its consequences.

Captain Smith in his report adds: "It appears to me that La Bourgogne as a mail steamship starting from New York was not in the position at the time of the collision as indicated by the steam janes on the pilot chart of the North Atlantic. It also appears to me that it is highly desirable the rules of following the steam janes should be made more binding on all steamers navigating the Atlantic when plying between New York and European ports. Although in this inquiry I have not been called upon or empowered to make any investigation as to the conduct of the master and officers of La Bourgogne, or as to the navigation of that ship, it is evident that had the commander, Captain Deloncle, adopted the rules laid down in this inquiry I have not been called upon or empowered to make any investigation as to the conduct of the master and officers of La Bourgogne, or as to the navigation of that ship, it is evident that had the commander, Captain Deloncle, adopted the rules laid down in this inquiry I have not been called upon or empowered to make any investigation as to the conduct of the master and officers of La Bourgogne, or as to the navigation of that ship, it is evident that had the commander, Captain Deloncle, adopted the rules laid down in this inquiry I have not been called upon or empowered to make any investigation as to the conduct of the master and officers of La Bourgogne, or as to the navigation of that ship, it is 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master and officers

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

John H. Tibbets is visiting in Campello, Mass.

Letter Carrier Lawry is having his annual vacation.

Pearl Wiley is home from Boston on a vacation.

Miss Gustie Morton is home from Boston on a vacation.

Miss Elizabeth Thompson is visiting friends in Brookline, Mass.

Miss Rosa Torrey and Peaslee Torrey have returned to Haverhill.

Joshua Achorn visited his daughter, Mrs. Brown, in Hope Sunday.

Miss Harriet Hurlbut of Lynn, Mass., is visiting Miss Winnie Spear.

F. W. Fuller is back in Fuller & Cobb's after a fortnight's vacation outing.

Edward McConnell of Boston is the guest of Mrs. R. K. Morton, Camden street.

William H. Oxtom of Milton, Mass., is visiting friends in this city and Warren.

Frank L. Weeks and Harry E. Brown are cottaging with their families at Ballard Park.

Miss Nettie Stoddard and Miss L. A. Frobeck are guests at J. R. Frobeck's, Park street.

Miss Jane Mills of Cambridge, Mass., is visiting at the home of Chas Price, Granite street.

Miss Mary Lyons of East Boston, is visiting her cousin, Miss Etta Blackington, Linden street.

There was another successful hop at Burpee's storehouse on Linerock street, Friday evening.

Miss Helen Knowlton gave a wench rabbit lunch at her home on Broadway, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Follett and Hayward Follett and wife visited relatives in Montville, Sunday.

Mr. T. J. Burke who has been visiting friends in this city has returned to his home in Brookline.

Mrs. Edith Tolson and son Robert of Boston are guests of Mrs. A. F. Green, Maverick street.

The Twilight Literary Club met last evening with Mrs. E. Mont Simmons. The club is talking up a picnic.

Mrs. A. H. Butler of Rockport and Mrs. William Griffin of South Thomaston visited friends in town Saturday.

Helen Bartlett who has been visiting on Vinalhaven, returned today. Miss Bartlett is now visiting at Mt. Desert.

Miss Letitia Leighton of Whiteville and Mrs. Susie Crowley of Boston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Nash.

Arthur B. Duncan, formerly clerk at Palmetto's jewelry store, was in the city Saturday night on his way to New York.

L. D. Candage was in the city from Belfast Sunday. He made the trip down and back (about 60 miles) by wheel.

Miss Evelyn Burbank, for several years book keeper with Cochran, Baker & Cross, is now cashier at Fuller & Cobb's.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Carroll who have been the guests of Mrs. Joseph Lynn have returned to their home in Brookline, Mass.

Al Beverage has been in the city the past week. He is playing with the band and orchestra at the Hudson River Hospital.

At Mrs. E. A. Snow's, Warren street, are N. E. Webb of Colorado and Mrs. E. C. Black and daughter Margaret of Bridgeport, Ct.

Secretary James U. Taintor of the Orient Insurance Co. of Hartford, with his son, was in the city the last of the week, bound home from Bar Harbor.

C. E. Price and wife have returned from North Haven where they have been making an extended visit to Mrs. Price's parents, Dea. Carver and wife.

Miss Reta Gilman is in the city from Medford, Mass., on her annual summer visit to Rockland friends. She is at Mrs. Abbie Hix's, 40 Grace street.

Miss Caroline Stone and Miss Lelia Barbour of Brewer, who are visiting Miss Edith Kallach, were guests of honor at a picnic party given by the latter Saturday.

Mrs. Tobias Smalley and Mrs. Annie Adams go to St. George today where they will be the guests of Mr. Smalley's sister, Mrs. F. M. Taylor, at Smallburg.

N. E. Webb of Animas City, Col., and Mrs. E. C. Barker and daughter Margaret of Bridgeport, Conn., are visiting at their sister, Mrs. E. A. Snow, Warren street.

Mrs. Etta O. Clark and son Fred of Alliston, Mass., who have been at Capt. O. J. Conant's the past week, have gone to Calderwood's Neck for an annual summer visit.

George A. Seitz of the New York Tribune, who has been visiting the family of J. J. McIntosh at the Highlands, left on the noon train Saturday for his home in New York.

Mrs. George Homer and niece Alice O'Connell are visiting friends in Worcester, Mass., and in a few days will go to Providence, R. I., where they will be the guests of Mrs. J. P. Manning.

Mrs. L. R. Campbell and children are at Temple Heights for a sojourn of several weeks. With them are Mrs. Clark and children, Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Miss Alice Shaw of Cambridge.

Frank O. Andrews of New York is the guest of his sister, Mrs. S. J. D. May. This was his first visit to the city since he was in the New York office of leading Providence machine manufacturers.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Smith of Boston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. May. They will be guests along with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Dow, Miss Martha D. May, Johnny May, Miss Helen Kallach and Herbert A. Lathrop at the J. H. Flint cottage.

Zenas H. Higgins, well known and remembered in this city, died at Bar Harbor recently. Mr. Higgins had been in poor health for some time and since last November confined to his bed most of the time, during which he was carefully and tenderly cared for by his brothers and sisters with whom he was. Mr. Higgins was born at Mt. Desert but in early life came to this city, sailing from here as sea captain for several years when he retired, going into the real estate business with his son Zenas Higgins, 24, remaining here some six or seven years, and then removing to Bar Harbor, where he had been in the hotel and restaurant business fifteen years, or until his health failed him. Mr. Higgins' reputation as a cook was a superior one and he was a man who made friends wherever he went, of a genial disposition, warm hearted and kind. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Callie Crockett, of Worcester, Mass., his son having died several years ago and his wife some three years ago. Deceased was a member of the G. A. R. which association attended the funeral in a body.

A Great surprise is in store for those who will go today and get a package of GRALIN-O. It is a food drink, full of health, and can be given to the children as well as the adult with great benefit. It is made of pure grains and looks and tastes like the finest grades of Mocha or Java coffee. It satisfies everyone. A cup of Gralin-O is better for the system than a cup of coffee because its benefit is permanent. What coffee breaks down Gralin-O builds up. Ask your grocer for Gralin-O, 10c and 25c.

AUGUST CITY GOVERNMENT.

What City Fathers Did at the Mid-Summer Meeting Monday Night.

Alderman Abbott was the only member of the board of Aldermen absent at the regular monthly meeting last evening. The members of both boards were in exceptionally good humor and business was transacted with hardly a hitch.

City Marshal Crockett reported 20 arrests for the month divided as follows: Drunkenness 13, selling intoxicating liquors 2, larceny 5. Money received \$24.55.

Liquor Agent Chandler did about the usual month's business selling \$123.25 worth of liquors. Rum had the call with 12 gallons, with old rum second with 6 gallons.

The city had to pay internal revenue tax of \$25 which will help pay Uncle Sam's war bill.

City Clerk Davies' report was brief. Collected \$15 dog licenses.

The report of R. C. Hall, chairman of the board of overseers of the poor showed the following figures: Mayor's orders received, \$749.88; amount received from other towns, \$308.11; amount paid out, \$7,007.27.

Following is the report of City Treasurer Jones:

CASH RECEIPTS.

Cash balance, July 1, 1898, \$65,747.88

Liquor agent, 111.45

Dog license of 1898, 13.00

Fees, 1.30

For assessment, 17.00

Redemption of property sold for taxes, 47.00

School fund, 29.00

Collector account poor fund, 69.75

Free High School, 125.00

State pensions, 177.00

Comptroller of P. S. L. R. R. Co., 840.00

Sale of P. S. L. R. R. bonds, 10,000.00

Premium on P. S. L. R. R. bonds, 10,000.00

Certificates of deposit, 17,627.37

Collector Simonson on 1898 taxes, 1398.91

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" " " 1898 taxes, 4419.58

" " " account interest 1896, 11.28

Collector Simonson on taxes, 59.50

CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Mayor's orders, \$6021.94

Volunteer fund, 131.00

State pensions, 219.00

Roll of accounts, 12,293.37

Interest on certificates of deposit, 366.38

Municipal coupons, 5,044.10

Knox & Lincoln R. R. Co. coupons, 294.00

Municipal bonds, 37,350.00

Knox & Lincoln R. R. Co. bonds, 4,890.00

Cash balance Aug. 1, 1898, \$5,500.37

Cash trust funds at Rockland Savings bank, \$660.00

As will be seen by examining the treasurer's report tax collector Simonson is not allowing the grass to grow under his feet. He has already turned in more than \$4000 of this year's taxes. As a general thing the collector does not receive his book until August but this year the city government got a move on and made the appropriation a month earlier. The city is a gainer thereby.

Judge Hicks of the police court had \$44.31 paid him by offenders of the laws. Thirteen cases were for drunkenness, 5 for larceny and one for search and seizure.

Roll of accounts, contingent expenses, \$11,143.82; police fund, \$86.58; pauper account \$27.01.

The following condensed report of road commissioner Derby: Repairing sidewalks, \$30; new sidewalks, \$18.75; material for repaving streets, \$642.95; city teams \$31.90; cleaning paving \$30; culverts \$9; bills paid carried over from last month \$437.76; total \$1,492.36. Unpaid bills \$72.75.

Telephone and Vinalhaven Telephone and Telegraph Co. petitioned to set poles and string wires as follows: Whole length beginning at Old County road at Highland, leading by Chickawauk Pond; on West Meadow Road beginning at Chickawauk road at Mill Hill; on West Meadow Road to West Meadow Road at Gardner Brook; factory to West Meadow Road at top of Kila Hill. Hearing was ordered for next regular meeting.

E. A. Butler, John S. Case and others petitioned to have the Cambridge road widened and cause to be removed the obstructions to the water course in the Lindsey brook below the north culvert crossing Union street under the Murphy house near corner of Union and Lindsey streets. The committee on streets was instructed to use its discretion regarding the matter and 'tis believed the evil will be removed at once.

Ordered that an embankment be constructed on Main street near L. W. Benner's shop, of sand not to exceed \$50.

Ordered that a new plank sidewalk, five feet wide, be constructed on south side of Sea street to its present terminus, and Alderman Winslow is happy.

A. J. Bird & Co. were granted permission to keep dynamite in G. L. Farrand's magazine at the Meadows.

Max Antin appeared before the aldermen and petitioned for a sewer from his house on Sea street. It was a case of necessity with him. He wanted to connect his house with the sewer either have to have a sewer or get out. All agreed that a sewer was a public necessity but 'twas hard to decide whether to have the city put in the sewer or have it laid by private parties. On the property owners besides Mr. Antin as the Board of Health told him he would either have to have a sewer or get out. All agreed that a sewer was a public necessity but 'twas hard to decide whether to have the city put in the sewer or have it laid by private parties. On the property owners besides Mr. Antin as the Board of Health told him he would either have to have a sewer or get out. All agreed that a sewer was a public necessity but 'twas hard to decide whether to have the city put in the sewer or have it laid by private parties. 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